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FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR PROPOSED REGULATIONS
PERTAINING TO THE SAGE GROUSE HABITAT COMPETITIVE
GRANT FUND

The intent of this proposed permanent regulation is to designate a process for the affected Conservation Districts in Nevada to be able to apply for and receive funding for projects in the area of the state designated as habitat for sage grouse. Per appropriation of the 77th Session of the Nevada Legislature, there is currently \$40,000 appropriated for each year of the biennium.

Per AB408 of the 77th Session of the Nevada Legislature, there is required that the Conservation Commission "Conduct or cause to be conducted an analysis of the likely impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses."

The \$40,000 grant fund, distributed per year directly to Conservation Districts that have applied and been approved for receipt of the funds by the State Conservation Commission, will have no significant effect or impact on any small business in Nevada.

This was determined through a process of deduction and simple analysis of the effects of the regulation. Additionally, the impact was simulated through a 2012 version of an impact analysis tool developed for the State of Nevada by Applied Economics, a firm in Phoenix, Arizona. These simulations proved the deductive analysis that there would be some positive affects to overall economic activity in Nevada from the promulgation and implementation of this regulation.

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Tim Rubald, Program Manager, does hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this Impact Statement is accurate and was prepared as described above.

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